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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Peregrino Ferreira et al.

Serial No. (unknown)

Filed herewith

METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR
THE DIAGNOSIS OF EQUINE
INFECTIOUS ANEMIA VIRUS
DISEASE BY USING THE
RECOMBINANT CAPSID PROTEIN
VIRUS (P26)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the first Official Action, please amend
the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

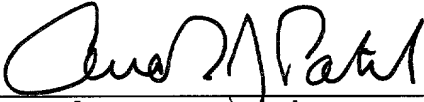
Page 1, before line 1, insert the following:

--The present application is a continuation-in-part of U.S.
application Serial No. 09/313,262, filed June 18, 1999,
which was the National Stage of International application
No. PCT/BR97/00081, filed December 19, 1997, which corre-
sponds to Brazilian application Serial No. PI 9606273-8,
filed December 18, 1996, the disclosure of which is
incorporated herein by reference.--

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